

## GRANTS / FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES UPDATE WEEK OF DECEMBER 3, 2018

### ANIMALS

<http://www.greatergood.com/> - The GreaterGood Network of websites offer the public a unique opportunity to support causes they care about at no cost to them. Each person's daily click on the Click To Give™ sites displays sponsor advertising. One hundred percent (100%) of sponsor advertising is paid as a royalty to charity through the non-profit, tax-exempt GreaterGood.org.

Supporters can also contribute directly to charity by purchasing Gifts that Give More™, where one hundred percent (100%) of their donation is given to charity, or by purchasing one of the 4500+ products that we carry, including jewelry, apparel, and gifts. There is a charity royalty of from 5-30% paid on every item purchased from any of the GreaterGood Network's online stores.

Scroll down the page & you'll see "HELPING ANIMALS/ANIMAL RESCUE SITE," which affords you the opportunity to **CLICK IT DAILY**, for which you'll receive a *"Thank You — your click has been counted! Today, you have given the value of .6 bowls of food to rescued animals."*

**AND** you can spend another moment clicking on the Breast Cancer site to receive the message: *"Thank You — your click has been counted! Today, you are helping another woman in need get a free mammogram."*

### ARTS / CULTURE

**Mississippi Arts Commission:** Much of the work done to expand arts activities across Mississippi is accomplished through projects taken on by arts and community-based groups. MAC supports these efforts through **its Project Grant program**, which funds a wide range of arts projects that support the main goals of the agency. Project Grants range from \$250 to \$5,000 and require a dollar-for-dollar cash match from the applicant organization. **Applications will be accepted starting January 15, 2019.**

**Deadline: March 1, 2019.** <https://arts.ms.gov/grants-for-organizations/project-grants/>

**Mississippi Arts Commission: The Operating Grant program** helps support the ongoing work of Mississippi's established non-profit arts and cultural organizations. These organizations are crucial partners with MAC in providing access to the arts for the state's residents. Operating Grants help them to maintain and expand their programs and services. Operating Grants can be used by organizations to support any of their general operating expenses, including salaries, marketing, rent, insurance, or artistic fees. Because of the wide range of expenses the grant can support, Operating Grant applicants are required to submit more detailed information than other applicants. The additional information allows MAC's grant review panels to get a more detailed picture of the applicant organization's overall structure and activities. **Applications will be accepted starting January 15, 2019. Deadline: March 1, 2019.**

<https://arts.ms.gov/grants-for-organizations/operating-grants/>

**The National Endowment for the Arts** is accepting applications from small and midsize organizations for projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations, including those whose opportunities to experience the arts are limited by geography, ethnicity, economics, or disability. Through the **Challenge America Fast-Track grants** program, NEA will award fixed grants of \$10,000 to projects designed to bring the arts to underserved populations. **A minimum match of \$10,000 from an outside funder is required**, however. Applicants are encouraged to consider partnerships among organizations, both in and outside the arts, as appropriate to their project.

To be eligible, applicants must be a nonprofit, tax-exempt, 501(c)(3) organization in the U.S.; a unit of state or local government; or a federally recognized tribal community or tribe. Applicants may be an arts organization, local arts agency, arts service organization, local education agency or school district, or other organization that can help advance NEA goals. All organizations must have a three-year history of programming prior to the application deadline.

**Deadline: April 11, 2019.** <https://www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/challenge-america/grant-program-description>

## ATHLETICS / SPORTS

**Park Tool** is accepting applications to its third annual **Community Tool Grant Program**, which awards nonprofit bike programs with more than \$1,400 in Park Tool products. Applications may be submitted by community-oriented, cycling-based programs. Each grant recipient will receive a Park Tool PK-3 Professional Mechanic Tool Kit, two PCS-10 Portable Repair Stands, and five Park SA-1 shop aprons. One of the ten Community Tool Grant winners will also be granted the "President's Choice" award-An additional \$1000 to spend on more tools and repair equipment.

This program is open nationwide. **Deadline: December 31, 2018.**

<https://www.parktool.com/form/community-tool-grant-request>

**The California Casualty Thomas R. Brown Athletics Grant Program** provides support to public middle and high school sports programs negatively impacted by reduced budgets in 44 states. (Schools in Alaska, Hawaii, Massachusetts, Michigan, New York, and Wisconsin are not eligible to apply.) Grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,000 may be used to help subsidize school sports programs in ways such as purchasing new equipment or paying for competition travel costs. Applications must be submitted by an employee of the public school who is a current member, or referred by a current member, of the state NEA affiliate or one of the program's other participating educator associations. **Deadline: January 15, 2019.**

[https://www.calcas.com/web/calcasathleticsgrant/home?cc\\_medium=FieldBanner&cc\\_group=NEA\\_KY](https://www.calcas.com/web/calcasathleticsgrant/home?cc_medium=FieldBanner&cc_group=NEA_KY)

## CHILDREN / YOUTH

The **Association for Conflict Resolution (ACR)** is pleased to announce this Notification of Funding Availability (NOFA) and request for initial proposal ideas for the 2019 funding cycle of the ACR/JAMS Foundation partnership in supporting **Conflict Resolution Education** for youth. The population to be served by the funding streams will be (1) youth in preK12 age range and/or (2) adults working with these youth populations in ways that directly transfer CRE skills for adults to the youth populations. The funding focus for the 2019 funding cycle intends to support the reduction in youth bullying and violence and an increase in the development of conflict resolution education skills with youth for their application in and out of school with friends and other classmates as well as at home with siblings and other family members. Eligible organizations include nonprofit 501(c)3 organizations, educational institutions, and public agencies working in conjunction with nonprofit educational institutions or organizations. **Letters of Intent are due January 14, 2019.** <https://www.jamsadr.com/acr/>

The **Funders' Collaborative on Youth Organizing** has launched **The Youth for Safety and Justice Fund**, a rapid response fund that will provide \$1,000-\$5,000 mini-grants to youth-led organizations to support young people organizing for safety and justice. The Fund will focus on efforts that employ a racial justice lens and connect gun violence to other forms of systemic violence and we hope to support the connection of young people across race and class to build unity and broader political power.

<https://fcyo.org/resources/youth-for-safety-and-justice-fund-rfp>

## DISABILITIES / ABILITIES

**The Craig H. Neilsen Foundation's** funding is dedicated to supporting both programs and scientific research to improve the quality of life for those affected by and living with spinal cord injury. The Foundation's **Creating Opportunity & Independence portfolio** supports nonprofit organizations that develop innovative projects to improve participation and independence for people living with spinal cord injury throughout the United States and Canada. Areas of interest include Assistive Technology, Education, Employment, Independent Living, Rehabilitation, and Arts, Sports, and Recreation. **Letters of intent for one-year Project Grants, ranging from \$25,000 to \$100,000, are due January 18, 2019; invited full grant applications must be submitted by April 30, 2019.**

<http://chnfoundation.org/creating-opportunity-and-independence/>

## EDUCATION

The **NEA Foundation**, the philanthropic arm of the National Education Association, is a public charity supported by contributions from educators' dues, corporate sponsors, and others. The foundation supports student success by helping public school educators work with key partners to build strong systems of shared responsibility. As part of an effort to achieve this goal, the foundation is inviting applications to its **Learning and Leadership Grants program**. The program provides grants to public school teachers, public education support professionals, and/or faculty and staff in public institutions of higher education to fund their participation in high-quality professional development experiences such as summer institutes or action research; and grants to groups to fund collegial study, including study groups, action research, lesson study, or mentoring experiences for faculty or staff new to an assignment. Grant amounts are \$2,000 for individuals and \$5,000 for groups engaged in collegial study. All group grant applicants must include partner information. **To be eligible**, applicants must be pre-K-12 public school educators; public school education support professionals; or faculty or staff at a public institution of higher education. The foundation encourages education support professionals to apply. Preference will be given to members of the National Education Association. **Deadline: February 1, 2019.**  
<https://www.neafoundation.org/for-educators/learning-and-leadership-grants/>

## HEALTH / MENTAL HEALTH

**Department of Health & Human Services: Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program** provides funds to improve health outcomes for older adults by developing a healthcare workforce that maximizes patient and family engagement, and by integrating geriatrics and primary care. Eligibility: Public and state controlled institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations, private institutions of higher education, for-profit organizations and community-based organizations. \$35,730,000 is available for 47 awards. CFDA: 93.969. No cost sharing or matching requirement. **Deadline: February 6, 2019.**  
<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?opld=310293>

## MISCELLANEOUS

Through **Entergy's Micro Grants Program**, we accept requests for up to \$1,000 in all program areas: **arts and culture; community improvement/enrichment; economic development, education/literacy, environment and healthy families.** Applications may be submitted at any time. Please check the website for staff contact information and to ensure your organization is geographically eligible.  
[http://www.energy.com/our\\_community/micro\\_grant\\_guidelines.aspx](http://www.energy.com/our_community/micro_grant_guidelines.aspx)

**The Mississippi Development Authority's Capital Improvements Revolving Loan Program (CAP)** provides loans to municipalities and counties in Mississippi for the improvement of public facilities and infrastructure. Application for assistance must be submitted by the governing authority of the county or an incorporated municipality. The construction or renovation of economic development buildings for speculative purposes requires a 50/50 match. The match must be in cash or in-kind assets.  
<https://www.mississippi.org/home-page/business-services/community-development/community-services/cap/>

The philanthropic goal of the **Change Happens Foundation** funding initiative is to assist innovative charities with a high-level of impact and a strong history of making good change happen. The top three areas of focus for the Change Happens Foundation grantmaking are: **\*\* Science \*\* The Environment \*\* Education.** For grantseekers who meet our eligibility requirements, the application process begins with a Letter of Inquiry. The Letter of Inquiry is required to determine whether the Change Happens Foundation's current interests and budget allow consideration of the grantseeker's request. We ask that all applicants complete and submit our online Letter of Inquiry providing basic organizational and project information. <http://www.changehappens.us/ApplicationProcess>

**Celebrate Urban Birds**, a project of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, is open for applications from organizations and educators. Mini-grants are available to help fund neighborhood events in communities across the United States.

Celebrate Urban Birds is a free year-round project that collects information from everyday people about sixteen species of birds. Participants spend ten minutes watching birds in their neighborhood and report their observations online at the program's website. This information helps scientists better understand how birds survive in cities and make use of green spaces, including parks and gardens. Celebrate Urban Birds neighborhood events or projects feature activities involving birds, community service, art, greening, and science. Participants must collect citizen science data. The mini-grants ranging from \$100 to \$750 could be used to support a bird-activity day at a local museum, after school, library, or community center, or fund art and gardening activities at a club, business, school, senior center, or neighborhood. Organizations working with underserved communities are strongly encouraged to apply. No experience with birds is required. **Deadline: December 31, 2018.**

<https://celebrateurbanbirds.org/community/minigrants/>

**Department of Justice: The Enhanced Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program** provides or enhances training and services to address elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, involving victims who are 50 years of age or older. \$3,000,000 is available for 9 awards. Eligibility: City or township governments, county governments, state governments and nonprofit organizations. CFDA: 16.528. No cost sharing or matching requirement. **Deadline: January 8, 2019.**

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=310095>

**Clif Bar Family Foundation** supports innovative small and mid-sized groups working to strengthen our food system and our communities, enhance public health, and safeguard our environment and natural resources. Priority is given to applicants that: \*\* Address our funding priorities from a holistic perspective \*\* Protect Earth's beauty and bounty. \*\* Create a robust, healthy food system. \*\* Increase opportunities for outdoor activity. \*\* Reduce environmental health hazards. \*\* Build stronger communities. \*\* \*\* Operate with clearly defined objectives and viable plans to achieve them. \*\* Demonstrate strong community ties and operate at the community level. \*\* Promote positive change through both the projects and their implementation process. Grants are awarded for general organizational support as well as funding for specific projects. **Deadline: February 1, 2019.** <http://clifbarfamilyfoundation.org/About-Us/Mission-Priorities>

#### TECHNOLOGY

Sprint's **1Million Project** wants to provide free devices and wireless service to schools to connect 1 million low-income high school students who do not have reliable home internet access. To apply for this grant, you must have the ability to identify and support a minimum of 1,200 students (300 per year) over the four-year program duration who are eligible for the program (grades 9-12 who do not have home internet access). Applications must be submitted by local high schools or school districts that meet the program requirements. Individual families, students and non-profits cannot apply.

<https://sprint.custhelp.com/app/forms/1MGrantForm>

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<b>December, 2018</b>		<b>Universal Human Rights Month Safe Toys &amp; Gifts Month</b>
<b>December 7, 1941</b>	-	<b>Attack on Pearl Harbor</b>
<b>December 12-20</b>	-	<b>Chanukah</b>
<b>December 12-24</b>	-	<b>12 Days of Christmas</b>
<b>December 15</b>	-	<b>National Cat Herders Day</b>
<b>December 16</b>	-	<b>National Chocolate Covered Anything Day</b>
<b>December 17, 1903</b>	-	<b>First airplane flies (12 seconds/120 feet)</b>
<b>December 17, 1862</b>	-	<b>Grant expels Jews from TN, KY and MS</b>
<b>December 20, 1862</b>	-	<b>Raid on Holly Springs, Mississippi</b>
<b>December 21</b>	-	<b>Winter Solstice (4:23 p.m.)</b>
	-	<b>National Ugly Sweater Day</b>
	-	<b>Humbug Day</b>
<b>December 25</b>	-	<b>History of Christmas</b>
<b>December 26</b>	-	<b>Kwanzaa starts</b>
<b>December 31</b>	-	<b>New Year's Eve</b>

- If there is no link to the grant opportunity below search [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) using the CFDA number.

Have a great week!

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